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Appl. No.

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Confirmation No. 3784

Applicant

S. Kodama et al

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Title

DIRECT ACCESS STORAGE SYSTEM WITH COMBINED

BLOCK INTERFACE AND FILE INTERFACE ACCESS

TC/AU

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Examiner

G.J. Portka

Docket No. :

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Customer No.:

24956

Commissioner for Patents

July 24, 2006

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a one-month Extension of Time, to and including July 22, 2006, be granted in which to respond to the Office Action dated March 22, 2006 in the above-identified application. Our Credit Card Payment Form in the amount of \$120.00 is attached in payment of the appropriate fee.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional payment due, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1417.

Respectfully submitted,

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